

Restriction Requirement

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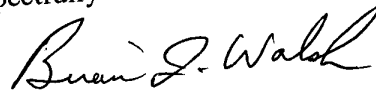
For: MURINE CYTOKINE RECEPTOR

In response to the Requirement for Restriction Election, Applicant elects Group II, claims 8-13 and 16 (in part), drawn to an isolated nucleic acid, a vector containing same, a host cell thereof, a composition thereof, and a method of recombinantly producing the encoded polypeptide, without traverse. Claims 1-7, 14, 15, 16 (in part) and 17-20 are withdrawn from consideration in this case; however, Applicant reserves the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications.

It is believed that no fee is due. However, in the event a fee is due, please charge any fee or credit any overpayment to Account No. 26-0290.

Early reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims under examination are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite prosecution of the above-identified patent application, please call the undersigned at (206) 442-6540.

Respectfully Submitted,



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